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QUARTERLY SUMMARY OF SOUTH AUSTRALIAN STATISTICS.

Quarter ended 31st March, 1939.

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1.—POPULATION AND MIGRATION.

Period.	Population at end of period.			Natural Increase	Migration—Increase + Decrease —		
	Males.	Females	Total.		Oversea.	Inter- state.	Total.
Year ended—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
31st December, 1931	289,397	287,682	577,079	4,191	—607	— 972	—1,579
1932	290,254	289,039	579,293	3,564	—363	— 987	—1,350
1933	291,722	290,955	582,677	3,996	+ 7	— 619	— 612
1934	292,519	291,775	584,294	3,056	— 32	—1,407	—1,439
1935	293,650	292,793	586,443	3,107	—131	— 827	— 958
1936	294,807	294,505	589,312	3,447	+242	— 820	— 578
1937	295,611	295,590	591,201	3,738	— 7	—1,842	—1,849
1938	297,549	297,560	595,109	3,871	+346	— 309	+ 37
June Quarter, 1937	294,338	294,340	588,678	920	—195	— 442	— 637
1938	296,156	296,136	592,292	1,022	— 72	— 413	— 485
Sept. Quarter, 1937	294,733	294,833	589,566	741	+204	— 57	+ 147
1938	296,621	296,638	593,259	748	+ 54	+ 165	+ 219
Dec. Quarter, 1937	295,611	295,590	591,201	1,068	+352	+ 215	+ 567
1938	297,549	297,560	595,109	1,048	+480	+ 322	+ 802

Metropolitan Population, 31st December, 1938, 321,412, or 54·0 per cent. of State.

2.—BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES.

Period.	Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Infantile Deaths.
	No.	No.	No.	No.
Year, 1931	9,079	4,888	3,069	330
1932	8,521	4,957	3,636	312
1933	8,900	4,904	3,973	286
1934	8,459	5,403	4,310	301
1935	8,270	5,163	4,845	289
1936	8,911	5,464	5,182	277
1937	8,985	5,247	5,340	297
1938	9,410	5,539	5,489	287
January, 1938	719	394	416	21
1939	859	658	365	35
February, 1938	748	395	473	28
1939	793	389	431	22
March, 1938	778	403	410	21
1939	867	375	441	25
March Quarter, 1938	2,245	1,192	1,299	70
1939	2,519	1,422	1,237	82

3.—RAINFALL.

Period.	Over Agricultural Areas, 1939.							State 33 Years' Mean.	Adelaide.	
	Cent- ral.	Lower North	Upper North	South- East.	Wes- tern.	Murray Mallee.	State.		1939.	100 Years' Mean.
	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.
January	1·33	·50	·47	1·55	·85	·58	·88	·51	1·30	·74
February	2·31	2·78	2·58	1·10	·32	2·06	1·50	·68	1·74	·74
March	·69	·36	1·03	·46	1·30	·15	·81	·74	1·29	1·01
April	1·47	·64	·98	3·05	·47	·79	1·07	·90	2·15	1·75
	April to November.								Jan.-Dec.	
1938.....	12·45	9·90	6·93	15·06	9·82	7·40	10·17	—	19·26	21·15
1937.....	14·68	12·72	8·48	15·06	10·36	8·68	11·38	—	23·01	—
Mean, 33 years.	15·99	12·20	8·80	19·38	11·01	10·37	12·58	12·58	—	—

4.—EMPLOYMENT—MONTHLY INDEX FIGURES.

(Base July, 1933 = 100.)

	January.			February.			March.		
	1937.	1938.	1939.	1937.	1938.	1939.	1937.	1938.	1939.
State Government (a)	105	113	114	106	113	116	107	114	117
Commonwealth									
Government ... (a)	113	123	126	114	122	128	117	123	130
Local Government (a)	101	103	105	110	106	111	115	108	118
Public Bodies (a)	102	105	109	104	109	111	104	109	111
Banks (a)	105	108	111	106	109	112	107	110	113
Life Assurance ... (a)	119	124	127	119	124	128	119	125	128
General Insurance (b)	104	120	122	104	120	127	105	121	130
Retailers (b)	112	115	111	111	112	112	111	112	111
Merchants (Wool, Wheat, etc.) ... (b)	120	136	141	128	139	146	131	140	141
Factories (b)	141	156	161	148	163	164	150	163	164

(a) Complete. (b) Returns received from representative firms only.

5.—UNEMPLOYMENT AND FACTORIES EMPLOYMENT.

Particulars.	1932-33.	1933-34.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.
Trade Unionists unemployed per cent.	32.0	28.3	22.0	13.6	9.4	7.3
Labour Exchange Registrations end JuneNo.	20,516	16,559	13,111	10,970	8,033	7,739
Employment in Factories Index No. (a)	80	91	104	120	127	134
	January.		February.		March.	
	1938.	1939.	1938.	1939.	1938.	1939.
Trade Unionists unemployed per cent.	—	—	6.9	9.3	—	—
Labour Exchange Registrations end monthNo.	7,047	7,489	6,658	6,300	6,412	7,075
Employment in Factories, Index No. (a)	133	136	138	139	138	140

(a) Base, 1929-30 = 100.

6.—STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

Period.	Revenue.				Expenditure.			
	Land and Income Tax.	Other Taxation.	Railways.	Total (including Other).	Public Debt (a)	Railways (b)	Unemployed Relief.	Total (including Other).
Year, 1931-32	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
1932-33	1,919	1,157	2,760	10,482	5,439	2,061	853	11,545
1933-34	1,561	1,172	2,771	10,161	5,346	2,023	632	11,170
1934-35	1,648	1,261	2,609	10,188	5,203	2,065	542	11,032
1935-36	1,825	1,399	2,649	11,002	4,982	2,147	490	10,965
1936-37	1,789	1,415	2,851	11,409	4,934	2,324	415	11,260
1937-38	1,978	1,563	3,000	11,739	4,976	2,471	375	11,600
1937-38	2,358	1,564	3,293	12,461	5,061	2,765	319	12,334
January, 1938	105	87	235	973	745	214	24	1,318
1939	127	83	237	961	731	218	24	1,319
February, 1938	256	83	258	1,032	192	205	27	781
1939	326	120	232	1,105	237	207	26	802
March, 1938	325	324	280	1,362	408	240	43	1,087
1939	387	343	244	1,377	375	234	27	1,042
March Quarter, 1938 ...	686	494	773	3,367	1,345	659	94	3,186
1939 ...	840	546	713	3,443	1,343	659	77	3,163
July-March, 1937-38	1,196	1,062	2,361	8,548	3,837	1,950	245	9,157
1938-39	1,272	1,246	2,337	8,613	3,866	2,018	219	9,328

(a) Interest, Exchange and Sinking Fund.

(b) Includes Pensions for annual figures, but not for monthly and quarterly.

7.—PUBLIC DEBT—STATE.

Date.	Public Debt.	Trust Funds, Bank Balances, etc.	Total Indebtedness.	Per Head.
	£	£	£	£ s. d.
30th June, 1932.....	101,599,232	1,519,244	103,118,476	178 7 9
1933.....	103,707,332	1,378,540	105,085,872	180 17 9
1934.....	105,419,280	1,262,812	106,682,092	182 18 1
1935.....	105,349,536	1,008,703	106,358,239	181 17 4
1936.....	105,698,481	1,833,739	107,532,220	183 2 0
1937.....	106,594,164	2,131,201	108,725,365	184 13 11
1938.....	107,450,640	1,944,607	109,395,247	184 14 0
31st March, 1938.....	108,308,860	1,294,551	109,604,411	185 4 5
1939.....	108,971,979	922,370	109,894,349	184 13 3

NOTE.—During the year ended 30th June, 1935, the amount of £804,988 was written off the Public Debt, being portion of Soldier Settlement Debt taken over by the Commonwealth.

8. TRADING BANKS (ex. State and Commonwealth Banks).

Period.	Deposits.					Advances.	Advances to Deposits.
	Bearing Interest.		Not Bearing Interest.		Total.		
	£	%	£	%	£	£	%
June Quarter							
1932	16,939,770	77·63	4,881,337	22·37	21,821,107	17,913,525	82·09
1933	17,314,999	77·64	4,987,061	22·36	22,302,060	18,608,501	83·44
1934	17,785,796	76·10	5,586,432	23·90	23,372,228	18,625,748	79·69
1935	17,173,844	74·21	5,967,563	25·79	23,141,407	19,595,659	84·68
1936	17,012,925	72·60	6,421,975	27·40	23,434,900	19,240,000	82·10
1937	18,079,031	71·51	7,204,074	28·49	25,283,105	18,443,318	72·95
1938	18,559,625	73·47	6,701,860	26·53	25,261,485	19,306,744	76·43
Mar. Quarter							
1938	18,459,117	72·12	7,134,231	27·88	25,593,348	19,175,815	74·92
1939	18,866,562	73·50	6,801,250	26·50	25,667,812	19,400,872	75·58

NOTE.—State and Commonwealth Banks, March Quarter 1939. Advances, £2,841,719; Deposits, Bearing Interest, £2,081,894, Not Bearing Interest, £2,023,785; Total £4,105,679.

9. SAVINGS BANKS AND BANK CLEARINGS.

Period.	Savings Banks (State and Commonwealth).			Bank Clearings.	
	Accounts Open.	Deposits.	Per Head.	Total.	Weekly Average.
	No.	£	£ s. d.	£	£
1931-32	572,051	21,566,825	37 6 2	100,419,134	1,919,426
1932-33	584,004	22,515,288	38 15 1	108,566,658	2,079,464
1933-34	595,524	23,437,505	40 3 8	115,558,007	2,214,061
1934-35	579,995	24,184,988	41 7 1	124,254,209	2,385,660
1935-36	622,609	25,308,586	43 1 10	136,851,967	2,592,203
1936-37	645,211	26,505,941	45 0 6	151,281,047	2,900,357
1937-38	657,799	27,243,643	45 19 11	158,944,202	3,039,755
January, 1938	650,113	26,472,123	44 15 6	11,986,172	2,804,819
1939	662,144	27,119,586	45 11 5	11,013,967	2,381,486
February, 1938	650,963	26,547,308	44 17 3	13,636,221	3,409,055
1939	665,461	26,981,791	45 6 9	12,622,531	3,155,312
March, 1938	652,937	26,635,538	45 0 3	14,813,886	3,284,183
1939	668,085	26,845,955	45 2 3	14,046,964	3,167,853

10. OVERSEA TRADE (DIRECT).

Period.	Exports.		Imports.	Excess Exports.
	£ Aus.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
1931-32	12,264,227	9,772,000	2,821,538	6,950,462
1932-33	12,802,189	10,242,000	3,760,324	6,481,676
1933-34	12,718,325	10,175,000	3,679,412	6,495,588
1934-35	11,834,784	9,468,000	3,965,808	5,502,192
1935-36	15,381,124	12,305,000	5,419,960	6,885,040
1936-37	16,748,140	13,399,000	5,438,429	7,960,571
1937-38	19,057,243	15,215,000	7,473,802	7,741,198
January, 1938	1,268,114	1,014,000	627,044	386,956
1939	1,115,666	893,000	549,703	343,297
February, 1938	1,624,987	1,300,000	566,026	733,974
1939	1,099,136	879,000	526,576	352,424
March, 1938	2,471,144	1,977,000	646,739	1,330,261
1939	1,365,200	1,092,000	427,273	664,727
March Quarter, 1938	5,364,245	4,291,000	1,839,809	2,451,191
1939	3,580,002	2,864,000	1,503,552	1,360,448
July-March, 1937-38	13,970,984	11,177,000	5,869,723	5,307,277
1938-39	11,856,701	9,485,000	4,566,454	4,918,546

11.—OVERSEA EXPORTS (PRINCIPAL ITEMS).

Article.	Unit.	Year.				July-March.	
		1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1937-38.	1938-39.
Quantities—							
Barley	bush.	2,551,888	3,360,946	2,312,332	4,390,374	3,769,100	1,732,502
Flour	ton	75,662	60,137	58,590	68,231	45,553	63,885
Wheat	bush.	24,512,433	22,669,070	16,770,810	28,805,592	16,992,458	15,407,166
Butter	lb.	6,299,175	7,953,012	7,291,690	8,809,153	7,668,536	6,141,640
Cheese	lb.	2,359,107	3,898,651	7,289,309	10,109,467	8,135,222	11,090,920
Eggs in shell	doz.	4,429,318	3,456,050	2,745,480	1,225,550	1,225,550	1,395,240
Lamb	carcases	273,680	342,177	420,374	376,893	346,490	681,226
Wool (a)	lb.	67,520,196	75,847,402	70,875,617	68,008,006	51,994,878	73,869,277
Currants and raisins	lb.	31,285,956	27,504,426	25,108,567	38,507,866	13,767,200	16,723,395
Wine	gall.	3,009,723	3,427,516	3,679,365	3,478,450	3,110,437	2,915,384
Concentrates (Silver, etc.)	cwt.	2,045,528	3,749,405	2,393,740	3,174,761	2,148,267	2,889,577
Lead	cwt.	1,903,682	2,131,846	1,796,399	2,057,624	1,582,171	1,641,441
Values (Australian Currency)—							
Barley	£	345,550	353,533	432,079	746,661	650,550	218,883
Flour	£	487,075	422,899	558,675	617,446	435,302	374,708
Wheat	£	3,652,558	4,087,227	4,386,206	6,306,741	3,990,062	2,077,953
Butter	£	234,814	400,509	395,448	496,326	430,072	322,946
Cheese	£	48,922	80,851	166,122	294,136	239,611	321,875
Eggs in shell	£	214,141	165,892	140,542	68,441	68,441	75,894
Lamb	£	207,689	288,017	352,575	367,078	339,952	697,031
Wool	£	2,440,499	3,780,550	4,071,953	3,267,842	2,625,179	2,859,747
Currants and raisins	£	582,677	512,714	459,518	730,550	264,989	312,598
Wine	£	731,568	870,710	955,033	856,691	779,093	784,317
Concentrates (Silver, etc.)	£	328,525	531,685	737,060	684,856	550,310	432,379
Lead	£	1,064,765	1,759,672	2,080,903	1,992,168	1,556,559	1,535,546

(a) Including scoured converted to greasy.

12. OVERSEA IMPORTS (PRINCIPAL ITEMS).

Article.	Year.				July-March.	
	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1937-38.	1938-39.
(British Currency.)						
Apparel and attire	£ 45,256	£ 61,419	£ 62,758	£ 78,932	£ 68,470	£ 61,056
Bags and sacks	209,899	312,623	315,346	300,561	272,666	239,516
Fertilizers—Rock phosphates	89,177	129,773	129,015	131,000	106,506	94,833
Iron and steel	272,807	433,653	350,041	794,090	637,128	271,827
Machines and machinery	287,015	601,041	730,242	1,109,344	846,689	757,302
Motor bodies, chassis, etc. ..	252,265	375,010	373,703	472,298	388,053	272,870
Petrol, etc.....	249,858	417,979	421,437	562,893	401,793	379,969
Kerosene.....	47,304	68,194	62,706	122,382	88,706	48,480
Other oils in bulk	144,554	180,426	165,611	235,986	177,972	148,325
Paper	162,250	195,972	269,392	224,791	173,833	163,253
Stationery, books, etc.....	101,366	111,022	109,701	132,059	103,499	96,909
Tea	115,278	111,940	121,758	113,900	82,211	82,556
Textiles, piecegoods, etc.	572,587	610,588	612,363	733,717	596,810	477,792
Timber	215,920	274,150	175,886	523,346	441,623	207,644

13.—RAILWAYS (SUMMARY).

Period.	Gross Revenue.	Working Expenses. <i>a.</i>	Train Miles Run.	Passengers Carried.	Goods and Livestock.	Passenger Mileage.
	£	£	No.	No.	Tons.	1,000m.
Year 1931-32..	2,757,123	1,921,744	4,914,265	15,608,384	2,430,226	166,409
1932-33..	2,744,741	1,894,477	4,909,588	16,074,121	2,401,070	172,106
1933-34..	2,570,837	1,937,913	4,930,271	16,325,004	2,154,639	175,559
1934-35..	2,669,470	2,023,918	5,080,319	16,660,213	2,346,736	177,655
1935-36..	2,890,710	2,193,457	5,462,146	17,430,674	2,481,568	189,061
1936-37..	3,021,662	2,331,334	5,606,353	17,776,629	2,400,423	205,329
1937-38..	3,299,084	2,612,562	6,111,121	17,632,125	2,897,351	200,144
December, 1937	286,928	236,095	488,272	1,835,305	206,546	29,480
1938	301,850	233,497	492,581	1,804,021	205,755	31,406
January, 1938	235,362	213,581	504,472	1,433,642	271,246	15,581
1939	236,497	220,041	504,708	1,508,021	236,253	18,366
February, 1938	257,273	204,650	489,107	1,195,283	263,608	12,414
1939	232,143	205,364	475,844	1,264,307	196,369	13,748
July-February						
1937-38 ..	2,080,661	1,709,513	3,946,179	11,510,751	1,697,458	130,974
1938-39 ..	2,091,789	1,784,095	4,062,570	11,519,753	1,708,364	141,359

a Excluding pensions and capital charges.

14.—RAILWAYS (TON-MILEAGES).

Period.	Gross Ton Mileage.					Net Ton Mileage (Revenue).
	Passenger.	Freight.	Mixed.	Departmental.	Total.	
Year—	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.
1931-32	262,756	681,354	25,997	15,482	985,589	287,654
1932-33	276,764	685,430	24,585	22,429	1,009,208	283,604
1933-34	292,016	677,057	21,649	19,034	1,009,756	265,720
1934-35	313,338	713,036	22,416	15,638	1,064,428	281,109
1935-36	355,657	800,899	20,404	17,599	1,194,559	312,839
1936-37	405,689	823,513	24,132	25,112	1,278,446	314,515
1937-38	421,956	950,375	27,297	33,909	1,433,537	365,066
December, 1937	42,578	60,678	2,579	4,302	110,137	22,572
1938	41,445	59,873	2,426	6,789	110,533	23,603
January, 1938..	38,568	75,504	2,401	2,092	118,565	29,331
1939..	39,989	67,931	2,332	1,845	112,097	23,220
February, 1938	31,158	81,747	2,242	2,198	117,345	29,399
1939	31,842	71,788	2,022	2,188	107,840	24,505
July-February						
1937-38 ..	281,072	589,952	18,084	23,081	912,189	217,486
1938-39 ..	281,544	618,235	16,866	21,727	938,372	218,602

15.—TRAMWAYS (DAILY AVERAGES).

Period.	Gross Revenue.	Passenger Journeys.	Tram Miles.	Elec- tricity.
	£	No.	No.	A.C. Units.
Year ended July, 1932.....	1,802	132,424	20,054	69,928
1933.....	1,762	131,929	20,203	71,926
1934.....	1,720	128,820	20,224	71,751
1935.....	1,752	131,830	20,404	72,298
1936.....	1,841	138,317	21,705	76,201
1937.....	1,916	142,689	22,087	77,209
1938.....	1,897	141,572	22,716	81,081
26th December, 1937 to 31st Jan., 1938	1,819	133,242	22,637	74,136
25th December, 1938 to 31st Jan., 1939	1,985	142,967	23,892	81,467
1st February to 5th March, 1938	1,805	136,796	22,634	79,225
1st February to 4th March, 1939.....	1,961	146,113	24,289	87,194
6th March to 2nd April, 1938	1,879	139,437	22,382	78,888
5th March to 1st April, 1939.....	1,955	144,794	23,959	86,144

16.—MOTOR REGISTRATIONS.

Period.	Cars.		Commercial Vehicles.		Cycles.	
	1938.	1939.	1938.	1939.	1938.	1939.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
New Vehicles—						
January	374	415	188	152	80	66
February	511	493	192	194	90	82
March	537	524	200	215	96	91
March Quarter	1,422	1,432	580	561	266	239
Second-hand Vehicles—						
January	1,009	995	394	358	473	424
February	1,194	1,105	480	388	464	464
March	1,391	1,402	500	508	520	516
March Quarter.....	3,594	3,502	1,374	1,254	1,457	1,404
Renewals—						
March Quarter	1,563	4,603	585	2,080	522	1,177
Cancellations—						
March Quarter	3,478	3,425	978	1,016	991	952
Expirations—						
March Quarter	1,718	5,964	656	2,433	654	1,746

17.—MOTORS, TELEPHONES, WIRELESS.

Period.	Motor Vehicles in use (a).				Telephone Connections.		Wireless Licences.	
	Cars.	Com- mercial Vehicles.	Cycles.	Total.	New.	Exist- ing (a).	New.	Exist- ing (a).
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Year ended December, 1931	45,140	12,139	10,045	67,324	2,869	49,276	10,186	32,075
1932	46,558	12,638	9,736	68,932	3,100	48,608	15,646	43,268
1933	46,413	14,197	10,455	71,065	3,605	48,528	17,903	55,639
1934	48,939	17,267	10,470	76,676	4,882	49,802	21,911	72,337
1935	49,496	17,157	10,741	77,394	5,048	51,516	17,407	81,629
1936	53,728	19,415	11,110	84,253	5,501	53,875	19,867	93,881
1937	56,101	21,728	11,802	88,631	5,727	56,517	20,293	105,045
1938	60,537	24,985	10,213	95,735	6,095	58,960	20,568	115,571
January, 1938	56,635	22,069	11,026	89,730	424	56,684	1,302	105,392
1939	60,629	25,029	10,222	95,880	468	59,222	894	115,806
February, 1938	56,966	22,318	11,263	90,547	470	56,868	1,477	106,413
1939	60,375	25,141	10,237	95,753	370	59,424	1,065	116,023
March, 1938	57,484	22,633	11,402	91,519	534	57,109	1,735	107,647
1939	60,685	25,431	10,335	96,451	538	59,940	1,332	116,816

(a) At end of period stated.

18.—PRICES (MEAN) ADELAIDE WHOLESALE.

Period.	Wheat.	Barley.	Oats.	Hay.	Bullocks.	Merino Wethers	Lambs.
	Bush. s. d.	Bush. s. d.	Bush. s. d.	Tons. £ s. d.	Prime. £ s. d.	Prime. s. d.	Prime. s. d.
January, 1938	4 1 $\frac{3}{4}$	3 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 3 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 2 6	12 0 0	22 9	20 0
1939	2 2	2 2	2 4	2 15 0	12 12 6	13 0	17 6
February, 1938	4 1	3 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 2 6	12 3 9	20 0	19 0
1939	2 2 $\frac{1}{4}$	2 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 4	2 15 0	12 10 0	13 9	17 3
March, 1935	2 10	2 7	2 0 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 17 6	8 17 6	15 3	15 0
1936	3 6	1 9	1 10	1 17 6	11 1 3	21 9	19 9
1937	5 3	4 3 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 15 0	10 8 3	24 9	20 6
1938	3 9 $\frac{1}{4}$	3 2	2 6	2 4 6	12 2 0	20 0	19 0
1939	1 11 $\frac{1}{4}$	2 2	2 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 15 0	14 13 0	19 3	20 0

19.—WOOL SALES.

Period.	Greasy and Scoured.		Amount Realized.	Price per Lb. Greasy.	In Store end Period.
	Bales.	Lb.	£	d.	Bales.
Year, 1931-32	197,954	64,158,321	1,847,946	6-88	14,065
1932-33	262,058	84,832,832	2,604,950	7-32	4,212
1933-34	245,311	76,580,369	4,479,165	13-96	20,045
1934-35	272,724	86,383,700	2,959,314	8-14	4,815
1935-36	263,280	83,102,553	4,151,115	11-92	5,029
1936-37	257,300	80,350,616	4,601,851	13-66	4,040
1937-38	273,056	85,165,647	4,018,205	11-28	13,913
January, 1938	3	1,114	48	10-25	104,629
1939	35,586	10,728,931	430,105	9-60	79,472
February, 1938	30,445	9,299,973	400,359	10-31	78,127
1939	43,933	13,229,066	532,461	9-66	39,157
March, 1938	31,168	9,337,681	411,730	10-56	53,676
1939	39,163	11,853,149	443,387	8-94	6,038
March Quarter, 1938	61,616	18,638,768	812,137	10-44	53,676
1939	118,682	35,811,146	1,405,953	9-40	6,038
July-March, 1937-38	201,751	63,028,484	3,154,538	11-97	53,676
1938-39	295,432	90,987,084	3,504,110	9-22	6,038

20.—PRICES—RETAIL ADELAIDE.

Period.	Bread, 2lb.	Flour, 2lb.	Tea, lb.	Milk, Quart.	Butter (Fac- tory), lb.	Eggs, Doz.	Potatoes 7lb.	Beef Ribs, lb.	Mutton Leg, lb.
	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
January, 1938	5-00	4-35	27-85	5-85	19-05	15-85	6-79	6-95	8-00
1939	5-50	4-55	27-85	5-95	19-50	14-60	15-14	7-75	7-60
February, 1938	5-00	4-30	27-85	5-85	19-05	16-15	6-64	7-45	7-90
1939	5-50	4-55	27-85	5-85	19-50	20-60	21-29	7-90	7-45
March, 1935	4-45	a44-00	27-40	5-70	17-90	10-90	b17-71	5-75	6-85
1936	4-45	a37-10	27-40	5-65	17-50	12-25	b13-25	6-00	6-90
1937	5-50	4-30	27-75	5-95	17-70	17-65	5-99	6-00	7-60
1938	5-00	4-25	27-85	5-85	19-05	18-45	6-86	7-60	7-90
1939	5-50	4-60	27-85	5-85	19-50	17-20	19-57	8-35	8-15

a For 25lb. b For 14lb.

21.—PRICE INDEX FIGURES (ADELAIDE).

Base. Six capitals 1923-1927 = 1,000.

Item.	January.		February.		March.	
	1938.	1939.	1938.	1939.	1938.	1939.
Food and groceries	836	888	845	914	848	919
	Year.				March Quarter.	
	1935.	1936.	1937.	1938.	1938.	1939.
Food and groceries	780	798	826	861	843	907
Housing (four and five rooms)	736	795	832	868	857	—
Food, groceries, and housing.....	764	796	826	862	846	—
All items (a)	820	839	859	888	878	908

(a) "All items"; food, groceries, housing (four and five rooms), clothing, and miscellaneous expenditure.

22.—BUILDING PERMITS (METROPOLITAN AREA).

Period.	Dwellings.		Other Buildings.		Additions.	Total Value (Ex. Govt.)	Value (Govt.)
	No.	£	No.	£			
Year, 1931.....	45	28,952	48	163,334	107,938	300,224	23,000
1932.....	110	91,508	65	72,294	125,780	289,582	98,909
1933.....	203	166,862	69	195,686	179,273	541,821	144,000
1934.....	385	321,202	102	266,061	221,369	808,632	44,161
1935.....	685	616,133	197	416,834	270,190	1,303,157	141,169
1936.....	917	714,923	194	236,522	279,707	1,231,152	351,301
1937.....	1,308	1,039,036	195	430,414	319,963	1,789,413	77,671
1938.....	1,562	1,139,906	196	496,305	395,270	2,031,481	203,650
January, 1938.....	97	80,153	25	92,797	18,096	191,046	51,336
1939.....	107	78,965	10	15,973	24,686	119,624	763
February, 1938.....	132	83,777	9	106,757	30,489	221,023	44,663
1939.....	115	81,914	23	10,796	18,349	111,059	37,223
March, 1938.....	133	106,175	18	38,270	30,134	174,579	13,921
1939.....	135	94,204	22	131,490	25,155	250,849	11,203
March Quarter, 1938.....	362	270,105	52	237,824	78,719	586,648	109,920
1939.....	357	255,083	55	158,259	68,190	481,532	49,189

23.—SALES TAX.

Approximate Amount of Sales by Traders Registered under Sales Tax Acts.

Year.	Taxable Goods.				Taxable and Exempt Goods.			
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Total Year.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Total Year.
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
1932.....	1,069	876	848	11,159	2,416	2,202	2,084	26,577
1933.....	918	796	911	10,377	2,253	2,137	2,251	26,197
1934.....	951	698	797	10,014	2,179	1,744	2,385	26,243
1935.....	973	769	863	11,124	2,369	2,461	2,186	28,414
1936.....	1,102	902	960	11,909	2,509	2,269	2,294	29,901
1937.....	966	1,148	963	12,587	2,680	2,731	2,717	35,696
1938.....	1,142	962	1,051	12,685	3,354	2,592	3,296	36,968
1939.....	1,172	975	1,041	—	2,933	2,538	3,069	—

Numerous commodities were exempted from tax as from 1st September, 1932, 26th October, 1933, 1st August, 1934, 25th October, 1935, 26th September, 1936, and 13th December, 1938. Consequently many traders dealing exclusively in exempt goods ceased to supply returns and the proportion of wholesale trade covered by the records has been progressively reduced. The figures above cannot be compared without allowance for this fact.

24.—COMPANIES, MORTGAGES, ETC.

Period.	Companies Registered.		Mortgages Registered—Real Estates.		Land Transferred.
	Companies.	Authorised Capital.	Loans.	Discharges.	
	No.	£	£	£	£
Year 1931.....	122	2,067,785	7,764,757	2,249,076	6,355,100
1932.....	115	2,119,500	4,389,999	2,500,727	4,574,025
1933.....	156	2,200,980	4,013,037	2,778,376	4,849,176
1934.....	139	2,335,485	4,060,222	3,769,315	5,708,100
1935.....	150	3,705,132	5,102,905	3,715,313	7,036,500
1936.....	99	1,488,200	5,993,845	4,076,106	8,368,200
1937.....	157	3,939,900	7,044,973	4,798,819	9,773,250
1938.....	139	2,630,225	7,224,649	5,343,113	10,648,900
January, 1938	11	115,000	499,408	456,239	776,775
1939	9	160,008	399,995	290,759	449,800
February, 1938	12	216,000	648,280	639,470	888,525
1939	11	660,000	436,540	279,332	644,900
March, 1938	12	74,100	771,890	583,600	1,365,400
1939	16	1,091,500	646,563	335,845	865,700
March Quarter, 1938	35	405,100	1,919,578	1,679,309	3,030,700
1939	36	1,911,508	1,483,098	905,936	1,960,400

25.—BANKRUPTCY (Sequestrations, Deeds, Schemes, Etc.).

Period.	Primary Producers.	Total.	Liabilities.	Assets.	Excess Liabilities.
	No.	No.	£	£	£
Year 1931.....	456	996	1,491,178	1,101,919	389,259
1932.....	316	654	1,341,620	961,257	380,363
1933.....	282	570	1,339,435	1,061,860	277,575
1934.....	373	626	1,484,031	1,017,972	466,059
1935.....	357	597	1,376,855	753,528	623,327
1936.....	342	551	1,964,627	1,420,209	544,418
1937.....	227	468	1,547,794	1,143,739	404,055
1938.....	245	461	1,526,833	1,070,393	456,440
January, 1938.....	2	12	39,285	26,466	12,819
1939.....	6	27	51,061	41,225	9,836
February, 1938.....	22	43	116,387	102,160	14,227
1939.....	50	66	305,505	186,493	119,012
March, 1938	60	82	423,208	339,061	84,147
1939	112	155	587,590	393,926	193,664
March Quarter, 1938	84	137	578,880	467,687	111,193
1939	168	248	944,156	621,644	322,512

NOTE.—For 1931 and portion of 1932, liabilities and assets of compositions are not included.

26.—BUTTER AND CHEESE PRODUCTION.

Period.	Butter (lb.).			Cheese (lb.).		
	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.
In Factories.						
January	1,426,654	1,567,987	1,150,267	1,092,044	1,480,196	1,189,616
February	1,195,639	1,267,127	973,160	903,702	1,056,912	789,682
March	1,039,517	1,248,791		645,702	1,098,391	
July-March ...	14,282,465	15,689,665		10,388,448	12,670,836	
Year.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.
In Factories ..	17,017,490	17,131,365	18,922,496	8,103,243.	12,164,717	15,516,879
On Farms	3,946,815	3,761,004	3,505,802	420	102	—
Total	20,964,305	20,892,369	22,428,298	8,103,663	12,164,819	15,516,879

27.—SLAUGHTERINGS AT METROPOLITAN ABATTOIRS (for home consumption).

Period.	Bullocks.	Cows.	Calves.	Sheep.	Lambs.	Pigs.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
January-March....1938	7,026	7,535	10,123	71,550	74,070	7,386
1939	6,483	7,372	9,442	80,692	83,653	5,871
January-December 1935	31,295	19,252	39,447	300,396	283,692	35,394
1936	33,280	21,138	45,710	295,910	287,665	43,216
1937	35,734	24,007	45,635	291,487	285,019	40,183
1938	30,562	27,136	45,080	306,068	327,543	31,443

28.—ELECTRICITY.

Sales by Adelaide Electric Supply Co., Ltd. (In British Units).

Year Ended February.				Quarter Ended February.	
1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.	1936.	1937.
53,027,960	60,471,874	68,796,508	79,665,733	24,165,285	28,031,276
1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.	1938.	1939.
94,707,895	108,376,745	126,035,337	137,216,465	30,719,507	33,597,994

29.—GAS AND ELECTRICITY OUTPUT.

1932-33.	1933-34.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.
Gas (1,000 cubic feet).					
1,120,686	1,066,471	1,082,217	1,090,249	1,119,278	1,154,878
Electricity (British Units).					
148,348,374	165,597,746	176,433,857	200,488,220	223,925,107	240,902,861

30.—LATEST PRODUCTION STATISTICS AND MISCELLANEOUS DATA NOT ELSEWHERE INCLUDED.

Item.	Unit.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.
Wheat	acres	3,188,225	2,989,490	3,058,457	3,161,739	3,084,268
	bush.	27,455,600	31,615,744	28,714,653	43,428,423	31,737,411
	average	8.61	10.58	9.39	13.73	10.29
Barley	acres	316,807	393,741	304,559	411,288	457,874
	bush.	5,682,923	6,493,983	4,260,462	8,647,043	7,538,761
	average	17.94	16.49	13.99	21.02	16.46
Oats.....	acres	367,192	299,771	414,723	332,434	266,025
	bush.	2,412,117	2,380,908	2,363,806	2,960,944	2,367,755
	average	6.57	7.94	5.70	8.91	8.90
Hay	acres	561,071	566,064	539,127	562,057	520,000
	tons	571,133	586,658	501,003	687,312	577,000
	average	1.02	1.04	0.93	1.22	1.22
Manures used						
Crops	tons	139,723	147,854	161,654	176,351	—
Pastures ..	tons	17,466	26,739	46,399	51,196	—
Cattle	No.	346,479	335,354	328,013	324,163	—
Horses	No.	198,765	197,368	200,870	197,334	—
Sheep	No.	7,884,919	7,945,745	7,905,112	8,904,402	b9,400,000
Pigs	No.	86,297	93,458	85,048	66,647	—
Sheep Shorn ..	No.	8,131,202	8,091,682	7,940,476	8,654,764	b9,600,000
Wool Clip	lb.	68,547,294	70,912,985	66,743,386	74,893,269	b85,000,000
Wool Prodn. (a)	lb.	77,790,933	81,709,440	76,604,296	86,606,378	b97,000,000
Ewes Mated ..	No.	3,408,561	3,408,758	3,519,568	3,662,227	b3,900,000
Lambs Marked	No.	1,875,296	2,049,514	2,079,426	2,476,804	b2,870,000
Wine—						
Beverage....	gall.	7,123,893	7,745,622	7,434,170	6,928,378	—
Distillation .	gall.	5,791,012	5,277,965	7,592,332	8,960,500	—
Total	gall.	12,914,905	13,023,587	15,026,502	15,888,878	—
Currants	cwt.	185,173	117,415	161,858	187,337	—
Raisins	cwt.	244,679	210,166	227,631	332,178	—
Apples	bush.	800,768	939,240	841,504	1,275,486	—
Oranges	bush.	638,314	645,291	654,889	802,255	—
Factories						
Establishments	No.	1,803	1,895	1,916	1,980	—
Hands ...	No.	33,497	38,471	40,710	44,084	—
Wages, etc.	£	5,733,865	6,694,151	7,518,239	8,412,975	—
Output ...	£	25,699,172	31,904,091	34,528,176	36,239,937	—
Production						
Value...	£	9,557,113	11,669,705	12,271,563	13,820,155	—
Life Assurance						
New Policies	No.	40,282	44,732	48,800	54,205	—
	£	3,923,587	4,579,921	5,395,553	6,255,724	—

a Including wool on skins.

b Estimated.